

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph on page 8, lines 20-27, with the following rewritten paragraph:

HA -- Other than the conductive means between the antenna 33 and the chip 30, it is also possible to utilize the capacitive circuit disclosed in co-pending application, Serial No. 60/040,143, filed March 10, 1997, entitled REACTIVELY COUPLED ELEMENTS IN CIRCUITS ON FLEXIBLE SUBSTRATES, now U.S. Patent No. 6,181,287, issued January 30, 2001. The capacitive circuits of the two embodiments of that application can be applied with equal cogency to the RF circuit or chip 30. --

Please replace the paragraph on page 9, lines 4-13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

HA -- An alternative form of RFID is shown at 40 in Figs. 3 and 4 of the drawings as including an attachment means 42 constituted by an elongated tubular strip or band 44 having an internal chamber 46 provided therein. The construction and mode of operation of the band 44 and the securement means 60 provided for usage therein are disclosed more fully in co-pending application Serial No. 08/787,757, filed January 28, 1997, entitled TUBULAR IDENTIFICATION WRISTBAND, now U.S. Patent No. 5,740,623, issued April 21, 1998, the disclosures of which are incorporated by reference herein. --